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Dig out your ugly sweaters

Ugly Christmas Sweater Run/Walk organizers Angela Andrews, left, and Andrea Mueller want everybody to come in their most garish and tacky Christmas sweaters at 10 a.m. at the Haliburton town docks on Sunday, Nov. 24. Read the story on page 2.
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Devolin won't run in 2015 election

Jenn Watt
Editor

Announcing a departure can feel like showing up at your own funeral.
At least, that's some of what MP Barry Devolin

has been tackling since he publicly revealed he wouldn't run to represent Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock in the 2015 federal election.

"I'm still dealing with the Barry Devolin, may he rest in peace emails I'm getting this morning," said Devolin the day after his announcement.

"It's very nice to receive nice words," he said,

while pointing out he still has two more years in office if everything goes as planned.

By the time the next election rolls around, Devolin will have been Conservative MP for the area for 11 years, first capturing the seat in 2004.

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Ugly Christmas Sweater Run beautiful idea

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Ugly sweater owners and unfortunate gift recipients rejoice because Haliburton is providing the perfect venue for you and your back-of-the-closet hidden shame.

With 30 pre-registered participants of all ages, the first Ugly Christmas Sweater Run/Walk is promising to be an inclusive fun-for-all community event.

Organizers Angela Andrews, a Dysart recreation pilot program steering committee member, and Andrea Mueller, the municipal recreation pilot project co-ordinator, invite participants to come with their tackiest, most hideous, craziest sweater and manliest moustache (fake or real), including Santa hats and Christmas decorations.

Mueller said the five-kilometre run/walk around Head Lake is all about participation for everyone.

"There might not be prizes for the fastest runner, but there will definitely be prizes for the tackiest sweater," Mueller said.

"We're not sure if we'll have [a prize] for the fastest runner. It's more about getting out and who has the most cheer and spirit."

Andrews said the idea for the event came from her desire to participate in an ugly sweater run. Instead of going out of town to one she thought she would organize a local one.

Registration is free and can be performed online or in person, including on-the-day registration at 9:30 a.m. at the Head Lake town docks. Donations are encouraged and will be collected for the food bank or to support the Dysart recreation program, which needs lightly used or new sporting equipment.

The organizers said the timing of the event takes advantage of the holiday season and provides the community with an opportunity to be active.

"It really fit in with the Santa Claus parades that are going on. There's nothing really happening in November to get people active and outdoors," Andrews said.

After the run/walk portion, the organizers invite everyone to the Dysart Library for hot chocolate, cookies, Santa Claus

and a photo area for people to take photos with props.

The organizers welcome volunteers, who can contact Andrews (aandrews@hkpr.on.ca) or Mueller.

Mueller is planning on a second shorter route, possibly in Head Lake Park on the paved trails.

She wants to invite Community Living Haliburton County and Community Care Haliburton County residents, who can also decorate their wheelchairs or walkers.

Andrews encourages everyone to participate and believes the second route will allow that.

"The whole idea is to get anybody of all ages and all abilities out being active because it is free recreation," Andrews said.

Although the pair encourages everyone to participate, spectators are not only welcome to line the route to cheer, but encouraged to bring bells, adding to the seasonal feel.

For more information contact Mueller at amueller@dysart.ca or call 705-457-1740 and leave a message on Tamara Wilbee's voicemail.

Investing in roads sparks discussion on priorities

Jenn Watt
Editor

The county's roads might not be at the top of the priority list, county councillors said at a roads committee meeting Nov. 13.

Director of public works Doug Ray discussed a new provincial requirement that municipalities that want grant funding must prepare an asset management plan, which outlines what needs service. Ray said he set level of adequacy at 75 per cent, meaning the county will strive to have three-quarters of its roads in good shape. Currently, 83 per cent of the roads are considered adequate, ahead of the goal.

When it comes to bridges, they are evaluated on a point system. Ray's assessment will require that bridges be evaluated if they drop below a 70 on the bridge condition index.

These guide posts raised questions with a few of the coun-

cillors who wondered if 75 per cent of roads needed to be kept in good condition, given other tax pressures on the county.

Ray said the 75 per cent number came from standards set by the Ministry of Transportation, when it was in charge of area roads. "Is it still realistic to hold on to a target that was established when money was flowing freely for this kind of work?" asked Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey said he agreed with the 75 per cent goal, but that it could change if the province decided not to give out as much grant money as council is used to.

"We're not going to be able to meet some of these targets [without assistance]," he said.

Reid suggested the report to the province include wording that pointed to the funding issues stipulating that 75 per cent could only be reached with strong provincial funding.

"I think it needs to be stated that there's not the ability to go to the taxpayer of this county to fund this work," she said.

Each year, a new report is prepared for the province, treas-

urer Laura Janke pointed out. If next year funding is drying up, the numbers can be adjusted.

County Warden and Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt cautioned that budgets shouldn't be tightened too much in the roads department, since they literally bring the tourists to the area, floating the economy.

Bad roads can give people a bad impression of the Highlands, she said. She also pointed out that while the public's priority is funding emergency services, good roads are needed to get the ambulances out to homes.

Reid said she liked the planning process, which helps the province assess whether a municipality needs funding, but didn't want to be bound by it.

Ray will bring the assessment management plan to the full council meeting at the end of the month.

Upcoming roads work

Several area roads are in need of immediate repair, Ray said. County Road 648, or Loop Road, is slated to be fixed up in 2014, along with a small portion of County Road 21 and County Road 13.

Some of the work included paved shoulders for cyclists, which will cost more money. Fearrey wondered whether it was wise to pave shoulders in relatively remote areas.

"If we want to really promote this area as a place to cycle, we need paved shoulders as most of our roads [are] not urban," Reid said. Fearrey asked Ray to bring back costing on the paved shoulders to see how much extra would be required. It was also noted that full paved shoulders might not be needed, but the roads could be widened moderately to allow cyclists more space.



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Policing costs to taxpayers could rise substantially

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Residents in Highlands East could see a significant spike in the amount they pay for police services.

At their Nov. 12 meeting, councillors discussed the proposed billing model the Ontario Provincial Police is considering.

In 2012, Highlands East paid \$134 per household for policing. For 2013, the municipality is paying approximately \$636,668, which equals less than \$150 per household.

The new model would see them pay an estimated \$369 per household for 2015.

"We have 4,524 households," chief administrative officer and treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig told the paper. "These figures are from our 2012 allocation notice from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund."

Councillors were almost speechless when told about the proposed increase.

"The theory behind it is the method is becoming more transparent," said Stoughton-Craig.

To add injury to insult, the CAO/treasurer said over the past few years the provincial government has been reduc-

ing grant funding for municipalities.

"I have no idea what we're going to see this year, but it's going to be a lot less," she said.

In the past, municipalities throughout the province have been given funding through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund.

According to a news release issued by the Association of Municipalities Ontario, the Ministry of Finance announced figures for the fund on Nov. 14.

In 2014, the fund will be cut by \$25 million, dropping total allocations to \$550 million. In 2013, the fund was \$575 million and \$598 million in 2012, according to AMO.

Previous policing grants have also been eliminated, according to the release.

The rise in policing costs on top of the reduction in grants will put the municipality in a predicament, said Stoughton-Craig.

"Nobody seems to know exactly what's happening," said Reeve Dave Burton. "We're going to have to somehow take the fight to AMO and the wardens' caucus and everything we can."

"There's no way we can afford these costs and we want some kind of funding," said Stoughton-Craig.

The current costs for OPP services range widely from



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— Sharon Stoughton-Craig

less than \$100 to more than \$600 per household across municipalities, according to AMO.

"Any change affecting those at the high end and those at the low end will need some sort of phase-in transition and will require mitigation funding," reads the release.

The association hopes more information on the proposed billing model will be available to municipalities in the near future.

The OPP communications branch could not be reached by press time.



Grand opening

Above, local musician Brian Sachs, piped before the Haliburton Tim Hortons ribbon cutting ceremony.

The Haliburton Tim Hortons ribbon cutting ceremony was kicked off by director of operations, John Healey, middle, holding ribbon, franchise owner, Nancy Bishop, with scissors, Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey and developer and New Urban Retail Inc. president Jamie Chisholm on Friday, Nov. 15. Moose FM broadcasted live on location while local musician Brian Sachs, far left, piped before the ceremony to mark the event, which included cake, free products and prizes. The 24-hour Haliburton location will employ 40 people full- and part-time.

Darren Lum Staff



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TSW, infrastructure funding next on agenda

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It was about a year ago when he started thinking about pursuing other avenues.

"I always said I don't want to do this forever," he said. "I thought I'd like to move on and do some other things in my life. I turned 50 this year. Maybe this is my mid-life crisis, I don't know."

Before becoming MP, Devolin worked for Tim Hudak, Chris Hodgson and Preston Manning and was also a communications consultant.

He has a master's degree in political science and has spent time living in Whistler, B.C. and South Korea.

With the clock ticking, Devolin said he feels some pressure to get a few specific things done in Ottawa, including getting affairs with the Trent-Severn Waterway on solid ground.

"I'd like to see the system on a sustainable footing and that's both from an environmental point of view and from an infrastructure point of view," he said.

The system hasn't realized its economic potential, he said, and more needs to be done on the water level side as well.

"It's big and it's complicated," he said of the system, which poses vastly different challenges from the reservoir lakes in Haliburton County to the recreational boating to the south.

"It's like a Rubik's Cube; there's more than one dimension to it," he said.

While Devolin said it's time for something new, he also said the last decade in office have been deeply rewarding.

"It's like two different jobs that are connected and both of them are fascinating," he said.

The first job is doing constituency work - walking in Santa Claus parades, holding passport clinics and helping residents with their problems - the second is the world of parliamentary politics.

Devolin recalls his "Forrest Gump" moment, when he attended the G20 in South Korea with the Conservative government,

attending the same conference as U.S. President Barack Obama.

"I think for someone who is interested in politics, it's pretty rare to have a job that allows you to do both," he said.

The MP said in his 10 years he has tried to keep a respectful attitude in Ottawa, though that hasn't garnered him many headlines or minutes on TV.

"I think a lot of people would be surprised to know there are lots of MPs in all parties who are thoughtful and respectful," he said. "[But] we never get on TV. When somebody stands up and says something inflammatory, they get on the six o'clock news."

His role as deputy speaker has also encouraged a more muted approach.

Devolin, his wife Ursula and kids Molly and George will have two years to think about what will come next.

A couple of years ago, they relocated to Ottawa to be closer to the MP's workplace, but keep a cottage in Haliburton.

Whether they return to the Highlands after



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— Barry Devolin

Devolin's term runs out is uncertain, but it seems whatever he ends up doing will likely involve politics.

"Over the years, I have jokingly said politics is like malaria: once you catch it, it might go away for a while, but it always seems to come back," he said.

County staff no longer represented on OHTO

Rules give seats to individuals, not municipalities on regional tourism board

Jenn Watt
Editor

Councillors on the county's tourism com-

mittee weren't pleased to learn the Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization will no longer have a staff member from Haliburton on its board.

Tourism co-ordinator Maria Micallef is stepping down from her position with the county, but under OHTO rules, as long as she continues working in the tourism industry, she will keep her seat on the board.

OHTO is a regional tourism organization created by the provincial government that represents a large swath of land from Haliburton eastward to the Ottawa Valley.

Many on the committee said at a meeting Nov. 13 they believed when Micallef was elected to the board she was there to represent the county's interests and when she left, that seat would open up for a new staff member.

"I think it was all of our understanding that she was representing Haliburton County," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen.

The former tourism director Bob Smith resigned his OHTO seat when he retired from the county and Micallef took his place.

Committee members thought that process should happen again, however, that is not how OHTO's rules read.

Danielsen suggested that the committee draft a formal letter to OHTO expressing their displeasure.

"Certainly, Nicole Whiting [OHTO manager] is very aware of our thoughts on the situation," said Warden Carol Moffatt.

They decided against a formal letter.

The county's tourism director Amanda Ranson said she has been working closely with the staff at OHTO and didn't think a seat on the board was necessary to remain included in the organization's activities.

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Roots/Haliburton partnership in the works

Jenn Watt
Editor

The county's tourism department is in talks with clothing maker Roots about rolling out a line of Haliburton Highlands merchandise.

Tourism director Amanda Ranson told the county's tourism committee on Nov. 13 that the clothing company had shown interest in collaborating on a Haliburton Highlands line.

The garments would be sold at the county tourism office as well as at local shops around the county.

A few councillors questioned whether the county should get into retail business.

"I could not support the county being a wholesaler of clothing," said Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid.

"I'm not in favour of that at all," she said, adding there was significant risk in trying to move that much product.

Reid suggested working with an outside company that would be willing to take on the financial risk.

"I disagree 100 per cent," responded County Warden Carol Moffatt, "It's been done successfully here before."

Moffatt said the plan had already been agreed to at a previous meeting and Roots as a brand would enhance the appeal of the clothing, making it easier to sell.

Committee member Barb Bolin said when she was principal of Haliburton's Fleming College campus, they never lost money on clothing sales.

"It worked really well," she said.

Ranson told the group there had been some concern the clothing was being made overseas.

She said anything the Highlands was associated with would be made in Canada.

No deal has been finalized with Roots, but the committee agreed Ranson should go forward with negotiations, which would also include some promotion coming from Roots of the Highlands.



Angelica Blenich Staff

David Robertson, front, leads more than a dozen participants on a two-kilometre hike through the Frost Centre trails on Sept. 22. The Trail Troubadour hike, part of the Hike Haliburton Festival, included a musical journey through the forest courtesy of David Archibald, who sang about animals, nature and the Frost Centre.

Hike Haliburton survival pinned on sponsorships

Jenn Watt
Editor

Hike Haliburton saw an increase in participation and registration at its annual festival Sept. 20 to 22, but a slight slip in accommodation bookings and loss of revenue.

Co-ordinator Barrie Martin gave a presentation to the county's tourism committee on Nov. 13, recommending that next year some of the entertainment be scaled back and more sponsorships sought.

This year's festival was plagued by cold, rainy weather, which discouraged some from coming out, but still garnered about 800 participants on the hikes, and nearly 1,400 taking part in all of the events (a 22 per cent increase from last year).

"Each year, the community itself tends to embrace the festival more and more," Martin told councillors.

There was a \$3,600 shortfall, but money was saved by reducing the advertising budget, so the discrepancy "should even out in the wash," county tourism director Amanda Ranson said.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid said more thought needed to go into how to attract outside visitors to the county, pointing to the stat that only three per cent of those at the festival booked rooms in the Highlands.

Many participants were tourists, Martin said, but rather than say in bed and breakfasts or motel rooms, they stayed at friends' cottages or drove up for the day.

Therefore, economic impact was still felt by shopkeepers and restaurant owners, he said.

"We could really add the icing on the cake on this product if we could get people from away to support it," Reid said.

Corporate sponsorships are key to the future of Hike Haliburton, all seemed to agree.

"If we're going to have this event successful year after year, we're going to need those corporate sponsors," said Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey.

Warden Carol Moffatt said she saw big possibilities in the festival, but adjustments still needed to be made to get it there.

"If we could just capture those couple of things, we've got something really special," she said.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

For those who stay

A COMMON CONCERN AT THE county council table about Hike Haliburton, the fall festival run by the county, is that it doesn't live up to its potential.

The festival, this year featuring 56 walks, two concerts and three workshops, is good enough to attract outside visitors; yet it doesn't attract "enough" and councillors ponder why.

Objectively, the hikes were more plentiful than ever before and the entertainment high quality, but only three per cent of visitors booked accommodations in the county for the three-day Hike Haliburton (down from eight per cent the previous year).

It's an important statistic to examine, said one committee member last week, because this event is run as a tourism attraction.

Its success hinges on attracting tourists.

To be clear, Hike Haliburton DOES attract many. All told, more than 800 took part in the hikes and more than 1,300 in the events offered in late September. Dismissally cold, wet weather scared a few off, so those numbers aren't entirely fair.

What was missing were those uber-tourists – the ones who take many days to visit the Highlands, book hotel rooms, dine out for every meal and shop at all the stores.

It might have been the weather, it might be that the festival isn't old enough, it could be that Haliburton is driving distance from the GTA and makes more sense for a day trip.

But there is another side to the coin on

this tourism event.

Hike Haliburton, co-ordinator Barrie Martin told the committee, gains traction and support from the local community every year.

Stores and media embrace it, townsfolk mark their calendars months in advance and seasonal residents come back to their cottages to take part.

They come back because Hike Haliburton celebrates the spirit of the area, the very reason many choose to move here.

While the festival hasn't gained the outsider audience the county is looking for, it has made up for it in local appeal. And that's not a problem.

We spend endless energy and resources in Haliburton trying to get people to visit. It makes sense – tourism is a large part of the economy.

However, resident retention should be a part of our agenda too, and festivals such as Hike Haliburton give those who have already chosen the Highlands a reason to stay.

Few people want to live in a place where nothing happens. Other than the most curmudgeonly of hermits, most of us want the chance to get out and meet people, appreciate nature, expand our minds.

The reason Hike Haliburton is so successful with locals is that it embraces all of those elements exceptionally well.

In time, the festival will likely bring in the audience council is looking for, but in the meantime it's providing a much-needed occasion for those of us here all year long.



Jenn Watt
Editor



Milkweed overflowing

photo by Darren Lum

'Tis the season

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This weekend is sure to be an exciting time in the village. From Friday's tree lighting and our magical nighttime Santa Claus Parade to Winter Warm Up after the parade at the Legion and Santa Day at Rails End Gallery on Saturday, the BIA is ready and raring to go!

I would appreciate one or two volunteers to assist me at Winter Warm Up. If you would like to help for an hour, please let me know (haliburtonbia@mail.com or 705-457-3768). You could help with door prizes or at our new Winter Warm Up kids' Christmas craft table.

As I write this column, I have three "Likes" on my new Haliburton Village BIA Facebook page.

It's a start, albeit a very slow start. Actually, it all started about a year and half ago. One of the BIA executive members suggested that I create a Facebook event for ColourFest. "Sure", I replied, "I can do that." I had no idea what he was talking about. I had been a social media resis-

tor and now I was going to join Facebook! Thank goodness for family and friends who helped me. First came my personal Facebook page.

I look forward to reading the posts of my Facebook friends; always fun, often interesting and thought provoking; everything from politics to LOL (laugh out loud) humour. This spring I added ColourFest Haliburton Village to my repertoire and found out that social media can be a great marketing tool.

So, last week I set up the new Haliburton Village Facebook page.

Of course it will celebrate and promote the BIA. It will also connect you to the many other groups, organizations and special events that call the Highlands home.

I am looking forward to chatting with you on our Haliburton Village BIA Facebook page.

A few more "Likes" would be good too.

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Hope to say hello to many of you out and about in the village and, of course, at all the weekend BIA happenings.



Gail Stelter
BIA in the Village



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points of view

A little dry humour

WITH ALL THE rain we've been getting lately, many people I know are beginning to complain about the wet weather. But that's only because they have somehow forgotten The Great Drought of 2013.

If you'll recall, it happened on July 8 from 12:20 to 12:35 p.m. I remember it well because during that time I was actually fishing, rather than bailing out my boat. It was the only time that summer.

I'll never forget it. During the Drought, the sky was blue and there was this bright yellow orb high above that emanated heat and was very difficult to look at. There were a couple of clouds but they were light and fluffy and they moved through quickly. The ducks were complaining.



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

Admittedly, as droughts go, it wasn't a particularly long one. And perhaps that's why no one has ever referenced it until now.

But it did have near-devastating effects on crops around here. For instance, my tomato plant was on the verge of wilting. And the big puddles in our garden came dangerously close to becoming smaller puddles. At one point, I even thought I might have to water the garden when I got

home. Or buy sunscreen.

It was a very near thing.

Luckily, a heavy rain cloud rolled in again and saved the day. But I shudder to think what might have happened to my tomato plant had that afternoon's life-giving rain not soaked me and my fishing tackle.

That rain did more than save tomato plants, however. It aided an ailing umbrella industry, which experienced virtually no sales during the Drought.

When you think back on those tough times, it puts it all in perspective.

Sure we've been getting a little rain throughout summer and fall, but all you need to do is remember The Great Drought of 2013 to realize that it could be much worse.

Throughout the Drought, I heard countless tales of hardship.

One person I know says she was caught wearing rain boots for the duration of the Drought. Another person was tricked into hanging laundry on the clothes line. Yet a third was eating salted peanuts when the worst of the hot weather hit - with not a drop of lemonade in sight. Two or three I know said it was "too hot" to do anything but sit inside.

I could go on.

I think I can safely say that those who lived through The Great Drought of 2013 will never forget the way the earth went from soaking wet to very, very damp or the manner in which the wells could have run dry had you been visited by a lot of company who all needed to use your shower, sink, garden hose and washrooms simultaneously within those 15 dry minutes.

Yes, it was a very close call.

Thankfully, that time is behind us. The Great Drought of 2013 is now a distant memory. No longer do we need worry about crops failing, wells going dry, boats being beached, marshes drained, canals dried up and tomato plants wilting.

The good news is we can tell our grandchildren that these things almost happened. And we can torture them with stories of how there was once a time in 2013 when the rain clouds were actually so exhausted that they took a 15 minute break.

And as we look back on that tense period and tell the story we can even allow a nostalgic tear to fall. Because, if the weather continues as it has and we're telling the tale outside, no one is ever going to notice.



pic of the past

Herb Barnum and a team of horses at Barnum Farm. The women is unknown. Submitted. Do you have a pic of the past? Send it to tara.oreilly@sunmedia.ca

letters to the editor

Home inspectors happy with MP

To the Editor,

I want to express our gratitude to Barry Devolin our Member of Parliament for hosting our Canadian Association of Home Inspectors lobby on Parliament Hill, Nov. 6.

Barry's appreciation for the work we do as a volunteer non-profit organization was appreciated. It provided our national board with an opportunity to meet our Members of Parliament, one on one, and emphasize the work we do in consumer protection, improving our housing stock across the country and generating jobs in repairs and upgrades. Most importantly we were able to bring to light the historical lack of

regulation in the field and the self-regulating initiative of CAHPI including the registered home inspector over the last 31 years. Our CAHPI national staff and volunteers were warmly welcomed by Barry's office. They were very helpful in directing us on the proper protocol on the Hill.

Barry, as a member of your constituency I want to thank you very much for your assists. This is not the first time I have brought issues before you and your thoughtful attention and responses are acknowledged with thanks.

Pam Sayne
Minden Hills

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Haliburton remembers

To the Editor,

On a raw windy and snowy day, many members of the Haliburton community braved the elements to gather at the cenotaph at 11 a.m. on Remembrance Day, to honour those young men of our county, who gave their lives for our freedom in two world wars.

The Haliburton Legion Branch 129 thanks all the people who came out and participated in our service, especially the students of J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, whose presence was greatly appreciated by our veterans.

The parade followed the church service held in a packed Legion Hall. The service was conducted by our Legion Padre, the Rev. Bev Hicks, with Karl and Terry Upton providing harmony for the hymns.

As the years pass, so do the number of veterans. This year, with such poor weather, and it being a working day, fewer members marched the parade. Regardless, there is something about a parade and the skirl of the bagpipes that brings new life to an old body, and it was wonderful to see veterans and older members stepping out as if they were back in the military.

Our thanks to the Haliburton Pipe Band, the Colour Parties from Haliburton and Minden legions, and the Ladies' Auxiliary. Also to those from the OPP detachment, the fire department, emergency services and our Cadets. Our thanks to the boys of St. Peter's hockey academy for marching with us, and for setting up the hall for dinner in the evening.

An integral part of the Remembrance service is the playing of the *Last Post* and *Reveille* followed by *The Piper's Lament*. Many thanks to trumpeter Rob Snelgrove and piper Brian Sachs.

We are indeed proud of our Cadet corp. Smartly turned out in their uniforms, they not only proudly marched in the parade with Colours and Honour Guard, but they provided the two sentries, with reversed arms, at the cenotaph. They also served the meal at the veterans' dinner, and later cleaned up the kitchen.

To all those who laid wreaths before the cenotaph, we thank you for braving the weather and trust you found this act brought back a moment of memories.

The poppies are gone, the wreaths are laid, but the memories remain.

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old, for we shall remember them.

Brian Hambly
Sergeant at Arms,
Haliburton

Safer sidewalks needed

To the Editor,

The article on "walkability" (Nov. 12, pg. 16) still seems to miss a dangerous area for the village.

Is there anyone else questioning the road safety in particular during the village rush hour traffic from the light along Gelert Road out to the schools and hospital?

Why does the stretch of road to Timmy's have a four- to six-foot wide paved shoulder on both sides of the road for approximately 1.6 km before the business was even opened?

The hospital on the Gelert Road, at the present site since the early '70s is on a short stretch that is only .6 km and has a narrow gravel shoulder. The medical clinic built recently within the same section of .6 km section of road has a car turning lane but no sidewalk.

Along that same stretch of .6 km there is the turn off onto

the network of roads with three schools. There is only .6 km of road that needs a walkway for our elders who use their electric wheelchairs or walk to go to the clinic or hospital.

Inspired recently by the courage of an elder walking to the emergency room (I stopped and gave them a ride) I now have the courage to ask the question publicly. When will there be a wide, safe sidewalk for our elderly, handicapped, health kick runners and everyone else?

Yes, there are financing and different agencies involved in the construction, but surely the need for a safe way to get from the lights at Gelert Road out to the hospital is important enough to overcome any obstacle.

Did I mention it was only .6 km? Have a safe walk.

Jean S. Tyler
Haliburton

Count your blessings

Gerald Irish

A Senior's Moment

Every so often, I feel down. Why? I don't really know. These moods come and, thank God, go again. I have no reason to feel down.

I am one of the luckiest people on the face of this Earth.

I am in reasonable health. I have been granted a fairly long sojourn here and hope it continues a little longer.

I have a beautiful wife and companion who must love me because she cares, and is still with me – though at times God only knows why.

I have wonderful children who have carved out their own niches in this world, and during the passage of time presented me with seven delightful grandchildren and four great-grandchildren – so far. I remember that old saying that grandchildren are your reward for not killing your children

when they were growing up. You can also spoil them and then hand them back to their parents.

I have two beautiful, pampered pets who bring laughter and love to my home.

Our home is very comfortable and attractive. It has all the creature comforts that one needs. This is thanks to my wife.

By choosing careers for our working lives that ensured steady pensions, we are able to travel and see the world. As I have so often told my wife, I want to do and see these things before they put me away somewhere and I sit wishing I had done it.

We have wonderful neighbours who are always there when needed, but do not live on our doorstep. They are sharing, loving and kind.

All in all, I am one very lucky person. Indeed, I am blessed.

I hope that you all can find time to count your blessings instead of looking for something about which to complain.

OPP hosting auxiliary information seminar

On Tuesday, Nov. 26, officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will be hosting an OPP auxiliary information seminar from 7 to 8 p.m. at the OPP detachment located at 12598 Hwy 35, Minden. This is an excellent opportunity for the people of Haliburton County to find out more about the auxiliary policing program and volunteering in their community. Auxiliary officers will be on hand to answer questions and explain what the requirements are to be part of the OPP team. Contact provincial Const. Paul Potter at 705-286-1431 to RSVP or if you have any further questions.

OPP hosting commercial vehicle information seminar

On Tuesday, Nov. 26 officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police will be hosting a commercial motor vehicle information seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Great Room at Fleming College at 297 College Drive Haliburton. Officers will be on hand to provide information on legislation for anyone who owns or operates a commercial motor vehicle. OPP are encour-

aging people to attend this free seminar which will reduce the risk of costly penalties. RSVP to provincial Const. Tim Negus at the Haliburton Highlands Detachment at timothy.negus@ontario.ca.

OPP warn drivers to slow down

On Monday, Nov. 11 officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were dispatched to numerous motor vehicle collisions in Haliburton County. Officers were busy in the afternoon and evening hours responding to 10 weather related collisions that occurred on snow and ice covered roadways. Fortunately none of the collisions resulted in serious injuries. During the inclement weather now upon us, the OPP is reminding motorists to drive with caution. The majority of collisions were caused by motorists not slowing down and driving according to the weather and road conditions regardless of the posted speed limit.

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Arts Council pride shines through at AGM

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

It's been a year of ups and downs, Arts Council chairwoman Chris Lynd said at the annual general meeting at Haliburton Highlands Museum on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

"It was a good news, bad news, good news, bad news, good news [year]. It just kept going back and forth like that," she said. "I want to tell you that there was a lot of good news in 2012/2013," she said.

Part of the good news came from addressing the challenge of replacing administrator Donna Gagnon, who left for another job when her work hours were lessened.

Lynd acknowledged the concerted efforts of the board directors, including new director Laurie Carmount and Donna Enright, who mentored her through this transition.

"I had all these people around me that were dedicated and committed who had a belief in the arts council and what it does," she said.

Founding members, she said, such as Jack Brezina and Stella Voisin, helped.

This past year, she said, the council made great gains in reaching out to its membership and the community whether it was through media or the town hall meetings, resulting in the efforts to revamp the council website.

"We were busy finding ourselves, reconnecting with ourselves as a board, reconnecting with the community as much as we could, taking some time to really talk with each other and our members so I hope you felt that. We certainly did," she said.

Lynd, who is in her third year as chairperson, acknowledged challenges in trying to create enough of a surplus to have a part-time staff administrator, execute a strategic plan for two years and develop the board for succession.

"We didn't meet all those goals. We didn't get all our i's dotted and all our t's crossed and thank goodness there is still time to do those kinds of things," she said.

She was buoyed by the general need for an arts council, even if the actual model is not exactly what everyone wants or envisions.

Upon reflection, she believes there is still time to achieve goals.

"We did our best. We worked hard. We did what we could. We did as much as we could. It's so true. We still have things to do, but we did a lot so congratulations to everybody," she said.

Her comments were met with loud applause.

Director Thom Lambert excited the crowd with the introduction of the new website, which is part of the council's strategic plan.

It is more dynamic, featuring better graphics and larger photos on the home page, including a database with members' features.

There is a members only area with a profile page where users can control the information whether it is text, images or links.

"You'll be able to change those photos as you see fit. As you develop new work you can put those on. There is not a lag time. You don't submit photos to us and then somebody has to go through them ... it will be driven directly off of you," he said.

This website also features a helpful Find Art button enabling the public to not only find artists by media, name and type of organization, but also see examples of the artist's work.

An additional database, featuring skills and resources that can be bartered or sold, will only be accessible by participating members. This idea came out of the town hall meetings offered last year.

"How you guys interact and how you actually accomplish that is completely up to the two of you. We're not going to be in the middle of that," Lambert said. "We're just creating the database."

Council will announce an opportunity in the near future for artists to send high quality images of their work (particularly performing arts) for the home page of the new website. Training workshops focused on the member login use will be provided later.

Launch is expected this spring.

It's an exciting time for arts and culture in the county.

For the first time, Lynd said, Haliburton County's tourism department has included arts and culture in long-term planning.

"Our sector has actually been identified, targeted [to be part of] strategic planning around the arts and tourism," she said. "This is really important to us and the county."

One meeting has transpired with Amanda Ranson, tourism director for the county, and county council. More are planned, she adds.

This coming year the arts council is bringing SPARC (Symposium for the Performing Arts in Rural Communities). It's a conference drawing close to 160 people from all over Canada in April.

Lambert also spoke about the economic impact study, which was funded by the Ontario Arts Council and completed by Fay Martin and Associates last year. This is the first of its kind, Lambert said. Usually this kind of survey focuses on the contribution of arts instead of the artists.

The survey had 73 households and 96 artists (full-time and part-time residents) respond, answering questions related to income from sale of art and art-related activities



Darren Lum Staff

Chairperson of the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands Chris Lynd and the board of directors received applause for the past year's efforts at the annual general meeting at the Haliburton Highlands Museum on Tuesday, Nov. 12. A new website is in the planning stages and will launch this spring.

ties such as teaching and mentoring; income from other sources; proportion of income and expenses spent locally; expenses related to manufacture/creation of art, skill development and marketing.

The survey results included an estimated \$3 million in annual income as an estimated \$1.5 million flows into the county through artists' households and that each household donates \$2,000 to charitable/not-for-profit causes.

Lambert points out this is a small sample of the contribution by artists since the respondents were easily half of the studio artists and did not include non-studio artists and performing artists. He adds 2011 is not necessarily an accurate representation for a typical year, as two-thirds of the respondents called it "much worse" or "somewhat worse" for sales than other years.

Stepping down from the board is Mark Arike, Heidi Hudspeth, Janis Parker and six-year member Stella Voisin. Current board members Elisha Barlow, Jennifer Bain, Lambert, Lynd and Carmount will continue. No one at the meeting was nominated to fill the board vacancies.

Lynd asked the audience for help in moving forward. "If you have it in your heart and you have a little bit of time that you'd think you'd like to get on this bandwagon because I truly feel like this is going places and you might want to be part of it. In closing I think we have transitioned ... we're going in a good direction and it's full steam ahead," she said.

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Bridges across county in need of repair

Jenn Watt
Editor

Haliburton County’s engineering manager has a long list of bridges and culverts that need fixing up, worth many hundreds of thousands of dollars.

He presented his list to the roads committee meeting on Nov. 13 ahead of this month’s county council meeting.

One of the worst, Head Lake Bridge in Haliburton, is riddled with deficiencies, Roy Haig said, including inadequate sidewalks, undermined footings, rotted guide posts, and badly rusted drains. The county is hoping grant funding will help with repairs valued at \$1.25 million.

Dark Lake Bridge has similar problems, but with a smaller price tag of \$215,000, including piles rusting, leaking expansion joint and bad guide rail.

Others on Haig’s list included the Eagle Lake Bridge, Horseshoe Lake Bridge and Drag Lake Bridge, each needing

at least \$100,000 in repairs.

In addition, several culverts also need fixing including the Kingscote, Fishtail, Inlet Bay, and Lower Cup Lake culverts.

From now until 2023, the estimated bridge costs (minus the Head Lake Bridge, Rail Trail trestle and Dorset bridge) will total \$2.7 million – about \$260,000 a year.

Culvert costs over the same period will amount to about \$860,000, or \$90,000 a year.

Haig suggested that council put money away and complete studies on area culverts.

“When [grant] funding comes through, then we can say we’re shovel ready and we have some money in the bank so we can match the funds that are required,” he said.

All of the bridges he discussed rated 60 or lower on the bridge index, which means they are in poor shape.

“The longer we leave it, the worse it gets,” he said.

Haig will present his assessment to full county council on Nov. 27.



Bandshell goes up in no time

The new bandshell is taking shape at Head Lake Park, with construction happening all this week. The music venue is a joint project of the Haliburton Rotary Club, the municipality of Dysart and made possible with funding through the Ontario Trillium Foundation and the Haliburton County Development Corporation. Announced this past summer, the bandshell is expected to be complete by next spring and ready for use by the summer. Many local contractors and businesses are donating their time and materials to the project. **Darren Lum Staff**

Three charged with break and enter

Police have charged three men with breaking and entering following a RIDE stop in Wilberforce on Nov. 9.

According to a press release, the men were caught when an officer stopped a blue GMC van they were in along with tools for breaking in and copper wire and aluminum. Police believe the metal came from a commercial location on Elephant Lake Road.

The men were age 18, 28 and 31, from Whitby, Bancroft and Courtice, respectively.

They have been charged with various break-and-enter related offences.

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Rotarian recognized with community service award

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Ted Brandon doesn't think he is that special. In a town filled with community minded individuals, Brandon is humble about being recognized with a special award. Humility aside, there was little doubt at the Haliburton Rotary Club's meeting on Nov. 14 that Brandon was deserving of a distinct honour.

A Rotarian for more than 20 years, Brandon was presented with the Brian L. Desbiens Community Service Award for his contributions to the Haliburton community and the Haliburton School of the Arts.

A training officer at the Haliburton campus of Fleming Col-



Angelica Blenich Staff

Haliburton School of the Art's Ted Brandon accepts a community service award at the Haliburton Rotary Club's meeting at Pinestone Resort on Nov. 14. A training officer at the college, Brandon was recognized with the Brian L. Desbiens award for his commitment to the community through his involvement with Rotary as well as other organizations.

lege, Brandon was nominated for the honour by his peer and fellow Rotarian Sandra Dupret, dean of the HSTA.

Brandon was presented with the award by Desbiens, past-president of Fleming College.

Created to recognize those who have demonstrated passion and dedication to their community, Desbiens believed these qualities aptly described Brandon.

The past-president remembers a conversation he had where Brandon was touted as being the man to hire, because "he's from the community, he's connected to the community and wants to live in this community and that's the person we really want to have on our campus," said Desbiens, recalling the reasons he was considered an asset.

The award is given out to an internal employee as well as a member of the community where the college is located. Previous winners of the award include Haliburton's Barb Bolin and Wendy Ladurantaye.

"It's not the Brian Desbiens award, it's the community col-

lege's award," said Desbiens. "Because our college clearly is a community college, and there are many people at the college ... who are continually trying to make our community a better place."

Apart from his work with Rotary, which includes international volunteering, Brandon has also sat on many local committees and served on the board of the Easter Seals organization at a provincial level.

Brandon is also active at the Haliburton campus of the college, lending his time and skills to art auctions, fundraisers and other events.

"Ted really does believe in service above self and it is evident in his actions and words," said Dupret in her nomination of Brandon.

Brandon told the paper that while he was honoured to be recognized, he believed there were many who were deserving of an award.

"I'm really particularly humbled to receive this award," he said. "There's so many people in our community that do so much."

Brandon's wife Lorrie and son were in attendance to see him presented with the honour, smiling proudly and snapping pictures.

"They say behind every successful man is a surprised woman," joked Brandon.

He thanked his family for their ongoing support and Dupret for nominating him.

Born and raised in Minden Hills, Brandon grew up in a household where the value of community service was instilled at a young age.

"My father was a reeve in the community and a member of Rotary," he said. "All through my childhood we were involved in community stuff."

The presentation of the award was supposed to be a surprise but living in a small community made keeping the distinction a secret nearly impossible.

Secret or not, the award, like Brandon, was still special.

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Murder, music and great expectations for festival line-up

➤ 2014 season of Highlands Summer Festival announced

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

A familiar orphan named Pip, a murder mystery musical comedy and a famous Canadian war pilot.

Organizers of the Highlands Summer Festival are confident the upcoming season offers something for everyone.

At a volunteer appreciation luncheon at McKecks on Nov. 17, HSF artistic producer Scot Denton had a roomful of theatre buffs at his fingertips as he announced what would be on the bill for 2014.

"This is a big season for us, it's very challenging," said Denton.

The artistic producer also spoke of the launch of a new program beginning next summer for young thespians.

Titled Early Stages, the separate program will feature recent graduates of theatre programs teaching and mentoring youth.

Those involved will create and perform their own piece, to be staged in the middle of the summer.

Although details are still being finalized, Denton hopes to open up the program to those age nine and up.

The summer series will kick-off with an adaptation of *Great Expectations*, based on the Charles Dickens novel.

Musical lovers have *Back in '59* to look forward to, a journey through familiar hits from the early 1960s.

Norm Foster's *The Last Resort* is a murder mystery comedy set in Saskatchewan that promises to have the audience in stitches.

Billy Bishop Goes to War and *I Hate Hamlet* are the two shows that will round the season, the former a Canadian classic and the latter an original work.

"*Billy Bishop Goes to War* has become one of the most popular theatrical works in Canada's history; I've seen it three times," said Denton.

“

Cottagers come up to me and say I can't see this kind of theatre in Toronto.

— Jack Brezina
HSF president



Angelica Blenich Staff

Highlands Summer Festival artistic producer Scot Denton announces the line-up of what audience members can expect in the 2014 season on Nov. 17 at McKecks. Productions will include *Billy Bishop Goes to War*, *Great Expectations* and *I Hate Hamlet*.

HSF president Jack Brezina congratulated the volunteers from the past season and mentioned the great feedback he regularly receives from the community.

"This year was an exceptionally good year for us," said Brezina, adding attendance was at 75 per cent across the five shows.

"I think that speaks to the quality of what we put on stage but also the enthusiasm that you people and all the volunteers put into the shows ... cottagers come up to me and say I can't see this kind of theatre in Toronto."

As in the past, the upcoming season will require lots of crew members and enthusiasm, said Denton.

"I hope you're as excited as Jack and I are," he said.

Season passes for the festival are on sale now until Jan. 15, 2014 and cost \$125, covering all five shows. Individual tickets for shows are \$29.50.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca or by calling 705-457-9933.



Right, volunteers involved in the 2013 season of the Highlands Summer Festival enjoy an appreciation lunch at McKecks on Nov. 17. Volunteers included actors, musicians, stage crew and box office personnel.

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Chamber orchestra brings a bit of 'pop' to Haliburton

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

At one time in history classical music was considered popular.

Composers such as Beethoven, Bach and Mozart were well known in their community, making their melodies familiar for music aficionados.

Nowadays classical music has taken a backseat to the top-40 tunes that grace the airwaves of radio and television stations.

On Nov. 23, pop and classical will be brought together once again as the Highlands Chamber Orchestra presents Haliburton Goes Pop.

Held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, the evening concert will include songs from the movies, as well as recognizable hits from TV.

Pieces such as *I dreamed a dream*, featuring a solo by Hannah Klose, *Rhapsody in Blue*, the medley of *Harry Potter* and the theme from *The Godfather* are just some of the highlights

to look forward to.

"We were going through a couple of different ideas ... and some people had mentioned doing movie tunes and more recognizable stuff for the average listener," said conductor Dan Manley. "And then it just kind of turned into an all-out pops concert."

With 26 members, the orchestra is made up of string musicians, percussionists and piano accompaniment, all under the direction of Manley.

This will mark the third concert for the recently formed orchestra.

"It's been a big difference in our rehearsals," said Manley comparing the orchestra to their start a year ago. "After a whole year of working together and back at it this fall we're a different orchestra."

A musical duet on *For Good*, a song from the show *Wicked*, will be performed by Dave Hawley and Marsha Sweet.

Another treat for the ears will be a performance of Michael Jackson's hit *Billie Jean* by the Haliburton cello ensemble, who will also be playing a piece by Metallica.

One of the orchestra's founders and current musicians

Bethany Houghton is excited to bring the show to an audience in Haliburton.

"Classical musicians only get so many chances to play more popular music," she said. "It's really nice to have an entire concert full of it."

While classical composers dominated the musical landscape at one time, that is no longer necessarily the case, said Houghton.

"Two hundred years ago people might have actually recognized a lot of the local composers' music, and that was popular at the time," she said. "But nowadays what we think of as classical music has gotten shuffled to the side a little bit."

Organizers are hoping this show will give those who might not have the opportunity to listen to classical music the chance to.

"But we're also doing it because it's fun," said Houghton.

Tickets are \$15 per adult and \$20 for those with children under 16. They can be purchased at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton and Pharmasave in Minden.

The concert is at 7:30 p.m.



Mission complete

A celebration was held at the Haliburton employment office on Nov. 14 to celebrate the completion of the Skills Link pilot project, which provides training and job placement to young people. From left, Lois Hogarth of Hawk River Construction; Ted Brandon of Fleming College; Janine Papadopoulos, Skills Link program co-ordinator; participants Schuyler Mills, Josh Warburton; John Currie of Fleming College; participant Jenny Parish; Sharon Sachs of Extendicare; participants Meghan Watson and Leah Cook. Front row from left, participant Michelle Kerr, Nicole Minary, Debby Keating, manager Fleming CREW Employment Centre.

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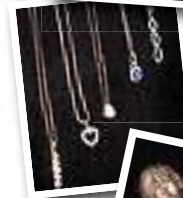
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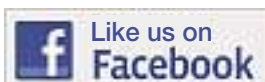
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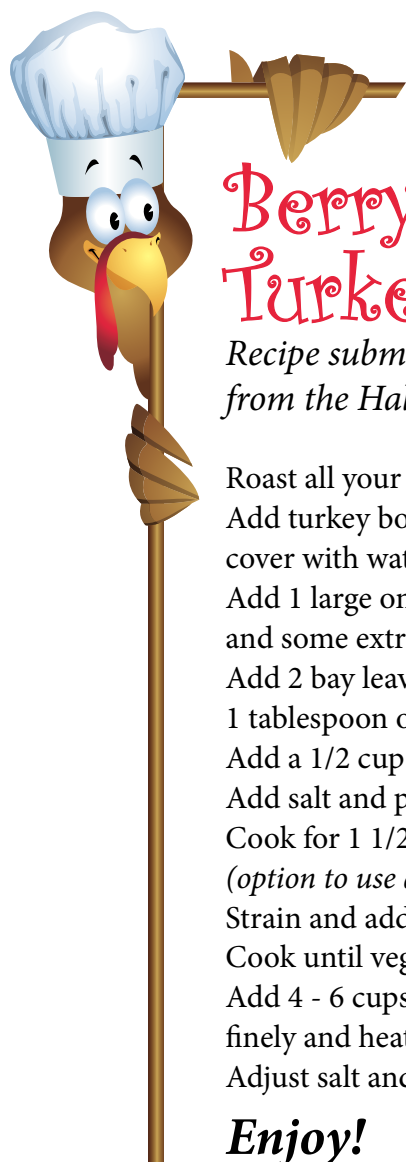
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*Recipe submitted by Graham Jones
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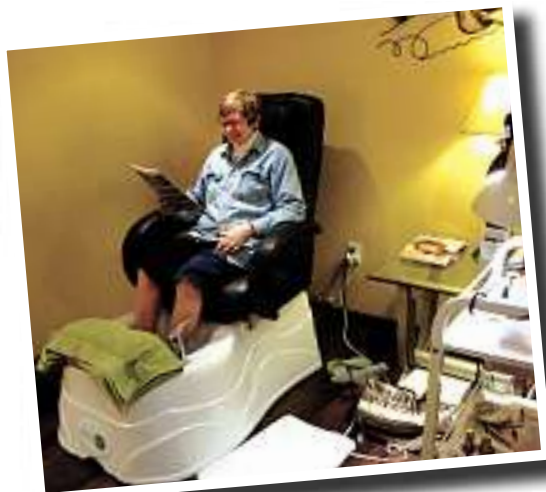
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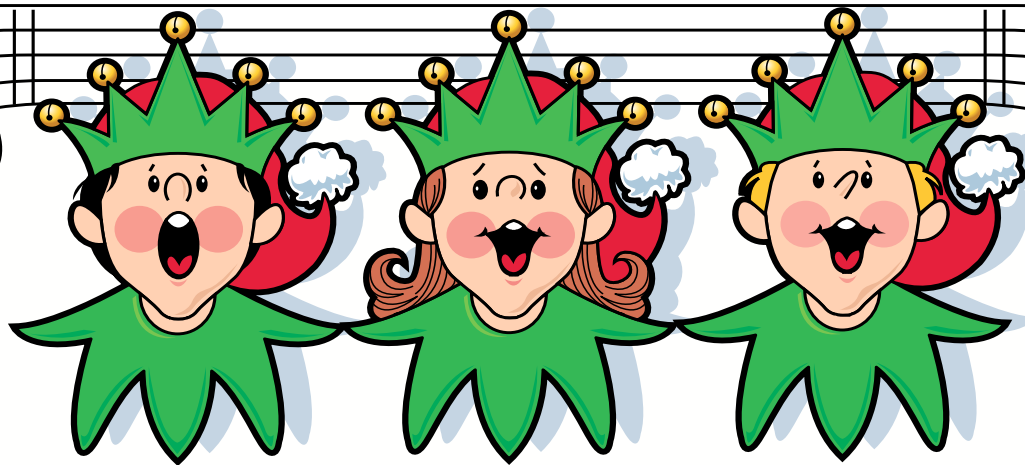
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Trip to Cuba entices local shoppers

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Shopping locally this Christmas season will bring one lucky Haliburton shopper to Cuba.

The Haliburton Business Improvement Area group is enticing local shoppers by offering an all-inclusive seven-night trip for two to Cuba in a draw that will be announced on Moose FM following their noon news on Dec. 20.

BIA president Luke Schell, who also has a main street business, said this promotion is more than the prize.

"It's not just about the prize. It's about getting the message

out there how important it is to all of us to have people do some shopping in Haliburton," he said. "It's really important that we all try to support each other in this small community. Retail is getting harder and harder. There's all kinds of different ways for people to get what they want and we like to stay in business."

Schell said this idea came from Moose FM's Renzo Rosati last year.

Initially the prize was a big screen television, but a trip package was substituted when Linda Coneybeare of Travel-Plus offered her expertise.

Ballots are available at downtown stores and are given with each purchase.

This \$1,500 trip is offered through Nolitours Brisas St. Lucia Resort and is subject to terms and conditions. The winner can take the vacation or the \$1,000 cash prize.

BIA administrator Gail Stelter, who started in April, said the response from merchants has been great.

"There's a great response from the business owners," she said. "It is their promotion. The BIA provides the prize and some advertising, but basically it's for them to promote and we encourage them to include it any advertising they do, making sure their customers are aware of it when they come in."

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Quilts have a history of giving comfort. When immigrants arrived by the boatload in past centuries, quilts were tucked into family trunks, made with love by Nanas and Nonas and Omas. Material from old coats and snippets of wedding gowns were collected with patience, stitched together with love by candlelight, and sent off to the New World with family members who would never come home again.

Pioneer women soon realized that the silver tea services they had once coveted were useless in the backwoods, but the quilts kept them warm, wrapped their babies and reminded them of the old country. As the beloved quilts started to fray, women began collecting their own bits and pieces of fabric. But quilting required the knowledge of patterns and intricate stitching skills. With family members unavailable for instruction, women needed a way to share their expertise.

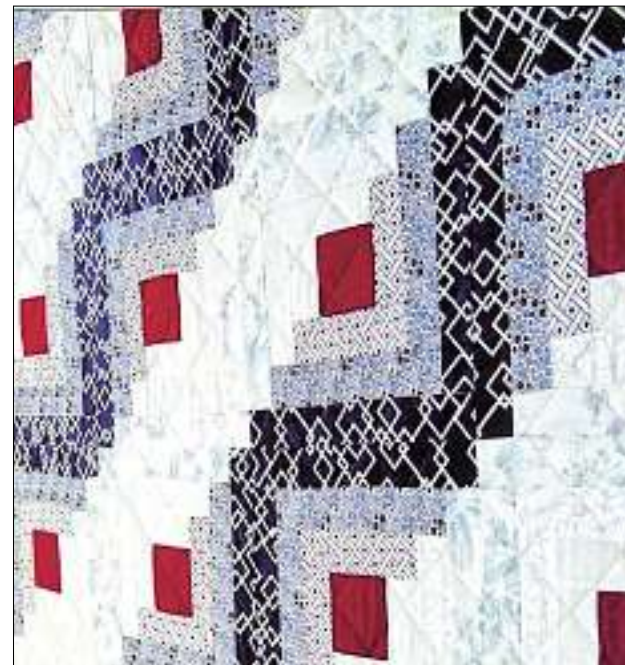
Quilting soon became the focus for many women's groups. An invitation to a quilting bee would have offered a rare social outing. The loneliness and isolation of women, especially in rural areas, made quilting bees special. Whether they met at the schoolhouse on a Saturday, or the church on a weeknight, quilting became the core of community networking.

During a quilting session, discussions would have included talk of neighbours who were experiencing hard times financially, or suffering from illness. Quilters could be counted on to help community members in need.

That hasn't changed. The Fort Irwin quilting group has been making quilts for similar reasons since the 1960s. Originally established for social reasons, the women made quilts for every member of the group. Then they decided to raffle their quilts to fundraise for the Fort Irwin's Residents' Association. Ticket sales over the years have been so successful that the group reserves some of the proceeds for charitable donations within the Haliburton community.

This year, the FIRA quilters gave \$400 to Community Care, after their Log Cabin quilt was raffled off on Oct. 16. Hilary Elia, the Resource Development Coordinator, expressed her appreciation for the donation, which will go toward the Feed a Senior campaign, currently underway. "This money will help us reach our goal of \$6,000," Elia says. It's good to know that a quilt can bring comfort to so many.

The handcrafted quilt made by the Fort Irwin Residents' Association quilters was won by Nancy Beatty, Kettleby, Ont. The second prize was won by Wendy Douglas, from the GTA. The wall hanging was won by Case Bassie. Submitted by Sandra Duchemin



Protect yourself against influenza by attending final vaccination

This week will be your last shot at getting a flu shot at community clinics organized by the local health unit.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is holding its final flu vaccination clinic of the season next Thursday, Nov. 21 from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion (719 Mountain Street) in Haliburton Village.

Flu shots are free to any Ontario resident six months of age and older. No appointment is needed for this clinic, but people are asked to bring their health cards.

"I would encourage everyone who has not yet received a flu shot to come out to this clinic to get vaccinated," says Linda McCarey, director of communicable disease control with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Flu vaccine can help protect you, your family, and other people around you from becoming sick with influenza, which can disrupt your holiday plans and put a damper on the upcoming festive season."

Local residents who are unable to attend the health unit's final flu vaccination clinic are encouraged to seek other

options for being protected. They can check with their health-care provider to see if they are offering flu shots.

This year, there is also the added option of getting vaccinated by a pharmacist. Three pharmacies in Haliburton County have been approved by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to offer flu shots to anyone over the age of five years. A complete list of approved pharmacies is available at www.hkpr.on.ca.

To find out more about flu vaccination, contact the health unit at 705-475-1391.



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Book introduces children to OPP

Jenn Watt
Editor

A big part of local author Michael Barnes's job is finding a niche.

The commercial writer has churned out 55 books in his lifetime, 21 of them since he moved to the Haliburton Highlands in 1999.

Finding an area relatively unexplored is what allows the retired principal to keep writing from his home near Head Lake in town.

"In this business you need to be able to locate a market," said Barnes, who just put out his latest book, *Someone To Watch Over You*, about the Ontario Provincial Police.

This isn't the first time Barnes has cornered this subject matter for a book.

He has already written five kids' books and two adult volumes about the OPP, which garnered him the title of honorary inspector.

This book is divided into two parts – the first including fictional accounts of children needing police assistance and the second with factual information about the OPP.

Other than Barnes, few people have written children's books about the provincial police, although several exist about the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Fictional stories address heavy topics such as abuse, missing persons and drug raids, but do so through a child's eyes in a way that helps kids understand complicated adult situations.

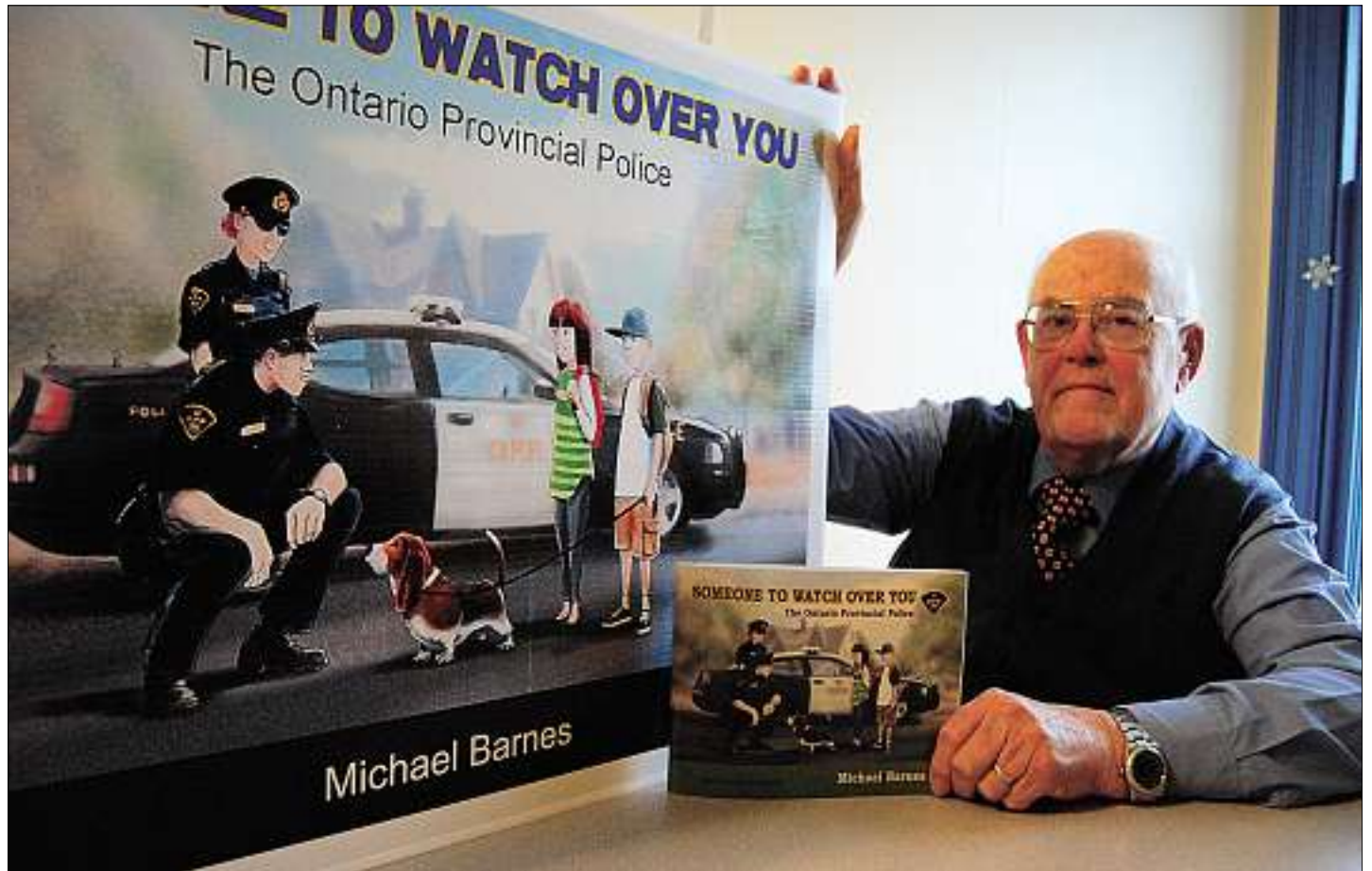
Writing for children can be as difficult as writing for adults, said Barnes.

"From a writer's point of view, it's just as much work," he said.

"It's getting the right message across without influencing children in a bad way."

The 40-page book includes illustrations by Gary Frederick and retails for \$12.

It can be found at Chapters and Amazon.ca.



Jenn Watt Staff

Haliburton author Michael Barnes shows a poster-size version of his children's book *Someone To Watch Over You* on Nov. 14. The book introduces kids to the Ontario Provincial Police with short stories and information.



Change anyone?

A group of nurses from Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital were at Haliburton's Fleming College campus on Nov. 9 after their colleague Lori Ferguson won the day-long workshop while registering for a course at the college online. The women made felt change purses with the help of instructor Heidi Hudspith.

Chad Ingram Staff

18th Annual Christmas Challenge

Join the Challenge and help us to make a difference

As the Christmas party season commences, The Haliburton County Home Builders would like to encourage you to include its Christmas Challenge in your plans. Large or small, each gift will help fill the Christmas hampers distributed by the 4C's and Minden Food Bank for families in need.

Step 1: Call in advance to the Home Builders Office 457-6901, Members of the Home Builders Association will pick up your gifts and deliver them to the workshops in Haliburton and Minden.

Step 2: Collect unwrapped toys or food items at your office or your Christmas Party.

Remember

to make the most of the Challenge have your gifts ready for pick up BEFORE December 16th. Early delivery to the workshops means the elves have enough time to prepare for Christmas.

This is the 18th anniversary of the Christmas Challenge. Whether this is the first year you have taken the challenge or the 18th year all gifts are needed. If you aren't sure what to collect simply gather local gift certificates. A value of \$15.00 each make is easy to top up gifts for families who have teenagers.

Call 705-457-6901 and book your gift pick up date early then start collecting.

Drop off locations, where the public are invited to drop off until Dec. 16th

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Keep your sunny side up

Maybelle's



Fireside stories

Well, the official day of winter may be a whole month away, but if ol' Maybelle didn't see my jack o' lantern turn into a jack o' snowman overnight, don'tcha know.

A goofy looking one at that! Plus, with shorter days and less sun-

light, this is the time to get on board the Sunshine Train – knowing how to feel sunny even when it isn't!

Now my dearly departed Auntie Fester had a whole battery of remedies for shakin' the blahs away, and if ol' Maybelle didn't learn them as a child.

Why she stuck out like a lightning rod mid-winter.

While everyone else in Lake Whaddyathinklmean was stuck in the doldrums suffering from SAD, Auntie Fester was clicking her heels and doing somersaults.

Rather than ask her how she kept so perky, folks felt like squashing her face in a grapefruit.

Not their fault. Like I said, they were stuck in SAD.

Now for those of you who don't know what SAD is, it stands for: seasonal affective disorder, also known as winter depression or winter blues.

You know how even a bit of sunlight breaking through clouds can lift your spirits, and how a dull, rainy day can make you feel kinda gloomy?

Well, SAD can kick you in the emotional shins with a seasonal pattern that's hard to shake.

The shorter days of late autumn can be the beginning of a type of blue feeling that can last until spring.

So getting a jump start on feeling sunny just makes sense, don'tcha know.

As for ol' Maybelle, lookin' back at what my Auntie Fester used to do is what I'd like to share with you now.

First of all, Auntie Fester believed that laughter is the best medicine.

And when there is nothing to laugh about, you go find it.

She'd watch funny movies, read funny books and listen to comedy shows on the radio.

Then when YouTube was born, she was one of the first in Lake Whaddyathinklmean to watch it, daily!

Oh, she was a big YouTube fan.

She'd watch excerpts of old comedy shows

like: *I Love Lucy*, *All in the Family*, *The Jack Benny Show* ... plus all her favourite stand-up comics: Phyllis Diller, Red Skelton, Jackie Gleason, Bill Cosby, Henny Youngman ... the list goes on.

So, laughter was No. 1 for keeping Auntie Fester's spirits perky. Then there were the lights.

She bought special SAD lighting that imitates natural sunlight and sat under them for about 15 minutes at a time while reading authors that made her laugh: Woody Allen, Mark Twain, Farley Mowett, George Carlin and more.

And then there were the balloons.

Now, Auntie Fester happened upon this new type of therapy just by chance, don'tcha know.

It was when Twindle Mumbly, Vilma Yuccch, Officer Stanley Penelope McBotom, Beanpole Starkman, Sybil Baucannon Hughes and Auntie F were preparing decorations for a surprise birthday party for yours truly.

My favourite colour being orange, Auntie Fester went out and bought four dozen great big orange balloons for the party which, of course, needed blowing up.

And by the time they were all done blowing up all those balloons, they were all feeling higher than a kite.

So, when she saw winter coming, she did it again.

She bought a whole whack of balloons and blew them up. Feeling light-headed and happy after all that huffin' and puffin' got her to calling it, "Balloon Therapy," don'tcha know.

Now I'm not suggesting you try it 'cause you may have to take your ticker into consideration ... just sayin' it worked for Auntie F and it works for me.

The next thing on her list? Get out of Dodge!

Now, that doesn't mean you have to go south, although that does seem to be the answer for a lot of Lake Whaddyathinklmeanians. Auntie Fester would just get into

Morty, her ol' Ford pickup and drive 100 kms or so just for a change of pace.

Oh, she'd visit friends ... go see a movie or two ... stock up on things at Costco or take a walk through Ikea. And ohhhh, those Swedish meatballs always put a smile on her face.

And, of course, there were the exercises.

In Auntie Fester's case, it was learning how to do Tai Chi.

Why there's a group right here in Lake W that gets together and practices the Chinese martial art.

And, oh boy, is it ever good for focusing your mind and bringing a real state of mental calm and clarity.

Goodness knows, you need that sort of thing for playing bridge, don'tcha know.

Why I just make sure I do a lot of stretching and walking and even swimming when I get the chance of using somebody's indoor swimming hole.

Sure keeps ol' Maybelle feeling a whole lot better, especially once the dank cold weather kicks in.

And, of course, there were the drumming circles.

Why Auntie F would get together with a whole bunch of friends and, oh, the fun they'd have with their shakers, congas, bongos, and all kinds of other drums and little percussive instruments from around the world.

Ol' Maybelle added a new instrument to Auntie Fester's Sunshine Train remedy list ... ukulele.

Why if I didn't take up the ukulele two years ago just for that very reason – to keep my spirits up during a long grey winter ahead.

And boy did it work! I'm still playing and having a ball jamming with my friends.

So, there you have it.

A nice little list of Sunshine Train remedies that worked for Auntie Fester, work for me, and just might work for you, don'tcha know.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jere-lyn Craden. Read Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You, an e-book available at amazon.ca.

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Come out to cultural planning meeting in Highlands East

Community members of all ages are invited to attend a community conversation about cultural planning for the municipality of Highlands East on Thursday, Nov. 21, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre (2249 Loop Road, Wilberforce).

Cultural planning is about who we are, what we value and our future.

Culture includes our heritage and history, recreation, meeting places, landscapes, cot-

taging, hunting/fishing, our stories, outdoor experiences, artisans, community events, the natural environment, organizations, commerce and a whole lot more.

Highlands East is on the move – have your say – be part of the action!

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Hawks advance to bowl championship

The junior Red Hawks football team continued their winning streak Saturday by defeating the Nottawasaga Pines Secondary School Timber Wolves 30 to 28 on a turf field in Orillia at the Orillia Sports Complex.

This was the semi-final for the National Capital Bowl championship, which includes the best junior AA teams from Georgian Bay across Ontario to Ottawa.

This Saturday the Red Hawks will face the top team from the east side in the championship game played in Belleville at 2 p.m. Spectators are encouraged to wear red and white to support the team.

Caught off guard by a small but fast team, Haliburton was behind 12 to 0 in the first quarter. The Red Hawks dug deep and despite multiple injuries slowly clawed their way back with touchdowns from Mac Rider, Ethan Cooper and Ryan Hill. The score at half time was 23 to 20 for the Red Hawks. In the second half with Rider injured, Hill carried the ball again and again, scoring his second touchdown of the day. With excellent decision making by quarterback Jaydon Wood and a huge defensive effort, the Red Hawks dominated the second half and came away victors.

Our offensive and defensive linemen were standouts in this game.

A special mention goes to Jalen Campbell, Morgan Hamilton, Adam Bird, Sam McKnight, Sage Christiano and Devon Bangay who won battle after battle for their team!

Coach Griff would like to thank all the fans that travelled to support the Red Hawks and watched history in the making!

Submitted

Red Hawks junior quarterback Jaydon Wood looks to hand the ball off in the National Capitol Bowl semi-final game against the Nottawasaga Pines Secondary School Timber Wolves in Orillia on Saturday, Nov. 16. The Red Hawks won 30-28 and earn a berth to the National Capital Bowl final in Belleville. **Sara Ross** QMI Agency



Bantam AE challenge Rebels

The Bantam AE Highland Storm, sponsored by Tom Prentice Trucking, travelled to Port Carling and Bala this weekend for their first tournament of the year. It was a great chance to press the reset button on a difficult leg of the season by playing some new teams. Friday, the boys got the tournament started on the right foot by doubling up the Shallow Lake Lakers, 4-2. Goals by Ben Schmidt, Carter O'Neill, Jake Bull and Alex Petrie, who scored off a beautiful feed from Schmidt up the middle, gave the squad a newfound confidence that had been lacking of late. Devyn Prentice, Petrie, and Mitch Billings (2) also contributed assists.

They continued to roll on Saturday morning, skating away to an easy 8-2 victory against the Coldwater Wildcats in a rough and tumble, penalty-filled affair. Ryan Manning collected two goals and an assist in the game to the lead the way. Alex Petrie, Jon Morrison Carter O'Neill, Mitch Billings, Dylan Freake and Devyn Prentice also scored for the Storm with assists by Ben Schmidt, Aidan Garbutt, Ryan Prentice, Alex Wilbee and Trevor Turner.

The boys finally met their match later in the day, playing a strong team from Georgian Shores. The final score was 4-0 and the boys never seemed to gather any momentum

in the game.

Despite the loss, the boys earned a spot in the B final against the mysteriously named TCDMHA Rebels. The game started with both teams trading chances early but the Rebels finally broke free scoring several unanswered goals in the second and third to walk away with a 7-0 win. Despite the finish the boys showed signs that they can play against some good A teams in the tourney.

Be sure to cheer on the Storm this Wednesday in Haliburton as the take on the South Muskoka Bears at 7:30 p.m. and on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. against Almaguin in Minden.

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Peewee AE take on the Devils

It was a weekend of extremes for the Haliburton Family Medical Centre Peewee AE Highland Storm, graciously sponsored by Haliburton Family Medical Services. Saturday the team travelled to Sundridge to face the strong Almaguin Devils. From the first puck drop it was all Almaguin who didn't let up at any point in the game, gaining a 7-0 win as a result. It was a game best forgotten. The

team knew they were sluggish and would have to put forth a much better effort to beat an improving Oro Thunder squad the next night.

And despite the later Sunday night start in Oro, the team showed a "Jekyll" to the "Hyde" from the night before. The energy and effort was a complete reversal and the unit was all over the Thunder. Colby Lambshead's shot from the point got things rolling followed quickly by Brady Baldry's screened back-hander that made its way through the goal-

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ie's five-hole. Carter Bull got his first of two on the night but Oro crept back into the game after that, scoring two to make it a little uncomfortable at the start of the third. Bull's insurance marker later in the third sealed the hard fought, well-deserved win. Next week the squad travel to Woodville for their first tournament of the year.

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Atom AE, who are we? Storrrrrm!

The Lions Club Highland Storm Atom AE hockey team continued building its reputation for being a gritty hockey team this past weekend with two big games. On Saturday the Storm clashed with the first place, undefeated, Huntsville Otters in our Haliburton rink, and – hold on to your hats folks – scored up a storm. Jaylin Frost scored first from Brendan Coumbs and Ty Mills. Nick Phippen scored unassisted. Coumbs from Phippen and Hunter Winder. Zach Davis from Phippen. Coumbs again from Ava Smith and Phippen. What a hockey game! Highland Storm fought hard to earn a shocking 5-3 victory filled with end-to-end action, thrilling saves, and good old teamwork.

Strong defensive play and goaltending are becoming the trademark of this team as Darian "Houdini" Willis repeatedly kicked away Huntsville scoring opportunities. Storm defenders Nesbitt and Winder, and, Mills and Smith looked like a wall keeping the Otters at bay and flat out outworking their opponents in the Storm end.

Up front was no different and wingers Robinson, Alexander, Tidey, Coumbs, Harrison, and Davis challenged Huntsville relentlessly with their strong two-way play. Centres Jaylin Frost and Nick Phippen demonstrated great leadership both defensively and offensively. Both looked like Selke Trophy candidates.

Right winger, Emma Tidey, said it best that she and her teammates were, "Just takin' care of a little business!" Taking care of business indeed, notching a big win that bolsters the young squad's belief in themselves.

Sunday saw the Atom AEs face off against the South Muskoka Bears and come away with a 3-3 tie. These two teams match up well and both display a tough "refuse to lose" work ethic. Highland Storm's big guns came out fast scoring three goals early in the first period. Nick Phippen potted a beauty after a feed from Brendan Coumbs and Ava Smith, and then Phippen and Smith returned the favour assisting on a Coumbs goal. Later in the frame Phippen scored his second goal hooking up with Ben Robinson and Zach Davis. The Bears, true to form, would not give up and rallied in the second and late in the third to pull even. Both teams look forward to a rematch, and, may face each other in the Silver Stick Tournament.

Submitted by Rich Smith

Bantam A has another successful weekend

The Highland Storm Smolen Dentistry Bantam A team has had another busy and very successful weekend. Starting on Friday night with a home game win 4-1 vs. South Muskoka. Goals for Payton Misco, assisted by Ethan Keefer and Mark Saville, Owen Smitty Smith unassisted, Andrew Hall assisted by Nolan Flood and Chase Burden, Greg Crofts assisted by Chase Burden.

The team then went onto a weekend tournament in Parry Sound playing and winning all five games they played to take the A championship.

This group of boys never ceases to amaze their coaches, families and friends. Our goalies: Josh Bellefleur and Parker Smolen. Defence: Jacob Bishop, Josh Boice, Andrew Hall, Ethan Keefer, Mark Saville and Jacob Haedickes. Forwards: Matt Wilbee, Nolan Flood, Owen Smitty Smith, Pay-

ton Misco, Owen Patterson-Smith, Kyle Cooper, Chase Burden, Greg Crofts and Chris Thompson. Every name here is what makes this a team and they prove that every time they hit the ice, and how they mess together and bring all different, but very important aspects to their teams success.

You make us all very proud, boys!

Submitted by Tammy Smith

Girls take on Lynx

The Highland Storm Minden Car Quest midget B girls' hockey team hit the road to take on the Otonabee Wolverines in Keene Thursday night. The girls, sporting their new Highland Storm gear of toques and sweaters, took on the undefeated Wolverines. Alicia McLean put the Storm up 1-0 early in the second period on a beauty, top-cheese wrister from the slot that beat the Otonabee tender easily. The Wolverines lived up to their name and never relented in trying to tie up the game. Mid-way through the third period, after the Storm had killed off yet another penalty, Otonabee capitalized on a tired out penalty kill unit and slipped in the tying goal. Both squads had chances the remainder of the game but could not capitalize on securing a win. Connor Marsden solidified the tie game on a highlight reel save where she robbed the Wolverine shooter and shut the front door, on the doorstep shot, with a wicked glove save. Great game girls – we get two more kicks at the can with this talented Otonabee club.

The Storm followed up their Thursday night effort on Friday night, where they hosted the Lindsay Lynx C club. The Highland club whirled up a storm and took their improving efforts to the Lynx squad. The first period provided all the scoring that would be needed to challenge the Lynx who were on the road. Alicia McLean opened the scoring early in the first period off another beauty wrister that beat the Lynx goalie high glove.

Cassidy Garbutt finished off a sweet saucer pass from McLean in the blue paint, again beating the Lynx tender high glove. Erin Little rounded out the scoring in the first period and a 3-0 lead with a goal-mouth scramble, putting puck past the Lindsay tender. Both sides exchanged more

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opportunities to add to the scoreboard with only a late tally in the third period by McLean, her second of the game to solidify the 4-0 win. Connor Marsden earned the shut-out ... her third of the year.

The Cold Creek Comets travelled to Haliburton to defend their second place standings against the fifth place Storm on Sunday afternoon. The talented, and deep bench Comet squad, came out flying against the Storm squad. A fast-paced first period ended with a knuckle-ball shot that eluded Connor Marsden from a weak angle with just a few seconds left in the first period.

The game remained scoreless with both sides having equal opportunities. Haliburton could not solve the Comet tender and suffered just their second loss of the season and remain in fifth place in the top half of the LLFHL east loop with a 5-2-3 record ... five points out of second and six points ahead of sixth spot. The Storm girls are on the

road next Saturday afternoon in North York and then host the Whitby Wolves Sunday night in Minden at 6 p.m. Shake off the loss, Storm, and get ready to get back on track with your focused play.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Fine effort in Pee wee A game

The Highland Storm Dollo's Foodland Pee wee A team travelled to Pembroke on the weekend where they had a strong showing in the Silver Stick tournament. The first game was Friday night against Renfrew. Nick Dollo opened the scoring in the first period on a rebound of a shot by Nigel Smith. Renfrew came back with a goal in the second period and again scored half way through the third period. Highland Storm put a lot of pressure on Renfrew with numerous chances but just couldn't find the net for the tying goal with the game ending 2-1 for Renfrew.

Game 2 against Smiths Falls Saturday morning saw

Smiths Falls striking first with a goal late in the first period and again mid-way through the second period. However, 30 seconds after Smiths Falls scored, Lucas Haedicke struck with a goal for Storm on a pass from Nigel Smith. The Storm team was all over Smiths Falls for the rest of the game with Smiths Falls taking numerous penalties but Storm again just could not score leaving Smiths Falls with a 2-1 win.

Game 3 against Lakefield saw a better result for Storm with Owen Gilbert opening the scoring by deking the defence to put in a shot with only eight seconds left in the second period. Storm dominated Lakefield in the third period as Lucas Haedicke put in Storm's second goal with 5:37 left to play and again scored on the power-play a minute later leaving Storm with a 3-0 win. Despite not advancing everyone put in a fine effort in the tournament and the team will just have to wait for the next time to see the bounces going their way.

Submitted by Larry Bukta

Philippines fundraiser offers many musical numbers

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Nancy Brink wishes to thank all 32 vendors, the best ever participation in this regard.

Tip of the hat as well to Andrew Kreller for assisting in the carting of products, setting of tables and just generally being useful before the sale opened.

Names are unknown, but thanks also go to the two young girls who stepped forward and offered help as needed for the event.

Of course help at the lunch counter by Shirley Johnson and Cathy McIlmurray was greatly appreciated as well.

Ron Higgins devoted the whole of his sales to the community centre, a most generous offer. What would we do

without volunteers?

Phrona Cooper had celebrated her 100th birthday a few days before her death. Sympathy goes to the Fry and Mueller families who held this lady dear. Burial was at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery.

Once again you are invited to a show of local talent in support of Funds for the Philippines.

Unfortunately it happens on the same night as the Santa Claus Parade.

However, it goes from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. So even if you can't come till 8:30 p.m. there will still be time for enjoyment of musical numbers.

Funds go through CBM, not as well known as Red Cross, but equally reliable.

Christian Blind Mission is on hand wherever and whenever disaster strikes. This organization aids not only the blind on an ongoing basis in many developing countries,

but assists people who need corrective surgery on club foot and cleft palate to mention just two of the many helps for the most vulnerable living in poverty.

Admissions by donation and cheques can be made out simply to CBM with notation to Philippine Relief.

Some of the talent includes Wayne Cooper, Christopher Chumbley, John Pugh, John Miller, Earl and Kathleen, and later in the program, Carl Dixon who will be busy with Santa Claus Parade before his entertainment at the Guilford Community Centre.

Euchre scores last Tuesday night: High - Sandy Poulton and Bert Craig. Low - Kay Morrison and Peter Laplante. Most lone hands - Lorriane Draper and Ed Muenzel.

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Rotary donation to library heartwarming

Wilberforce

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Do you have an item or two that an elementary school student might find suitable and attractive as Christmas gifts for members of her or his family? The Wilberforce school has begun accepting donations for their annual Christmas Shopping Store. From Dec. 11 to 17 (the week just before Christmas holidays) they set up one of the portables as a store displaying all the donated items. The children are given an opportunity to shop for free for members of their families. There is always a need for wrapping paper and gift bags too. If you are able to donate an

item or more call the school; office at 705-448-2421 to find out when to drop your donations off. This interesting program has been a successful joyous event for several years.

It was truly heart-warming to read that the Haliburton Rotary Club's recent donation for the new Wilberforce library was in memory of Harold Herlihey and Chester Schwandt. The generous donation of \$1,500 will be used to enhance and expand the collection of books and other material at the new library here. Harold lived and worked here in Wilberforce all of his adult life. Chester Schwandt was a resident of Harcourt. Both were not only hard working business leaders, they were dedicated Rotarians, each in his own way. Harold advanced in the club even to serve as district governor. Chester

was certainly known as a great fundraiser selling many car raffle tickets each year and often buying them for others! So pleased these members and their efforts have not been forgotten.

More than a few chilly shivers were experienced by those attending the Remembrance Day service at the Wilberforce cenotaph on Nov. 11. The cold damp day was a blunt reminder of the range of weather conditions in which our Canadian troops fought bloody battles to defend our rights and freedoms.

The service was a respectful remembrance of the many sacrifices made on our behalf. It was ably led by Luann Coghlan. Sergeant at arms veteran Bob Brown conducted on the colour parties from Legion Branch 624 and the Ladies Auxiliary to the solemn beat of the drum of Sean Cook.

With the playing of *The Last Post* by trumpeter Mark Bramham the flag was lowered and all were summoned to the time of silence. Always a poignant time especially knowing thousands of other Canadians were also remembering.

And then with the trumpet sounding *Reveille*, the flag rose to its high place and all were reminded to start a new day working for peace and understanding among the world's people.

Vocalist Nigel Hollings and trumpeter Bramham led the singing of *O Canada*, *Abide With Me* and the royal anthem *God save The Queen*. The Veterans' Prayer, the Act of Remembrance and later The Benediction were given by Legion Chaplain Dave Burton.

The solemn placing of wreaths followed with

sergeant at arms Brown conducting the following to the cenotaph: Hilary Klapow - Our Sovereign the Queen's wreath, Gertrude Godfrey-the Silver Cross Mother, Canada -Veteran Len Crawford, Ontario -Legion past president Bruce Rennie, Municipality of Highlands East - Reeve Dave Burton, Legion Branch 624 - President Mary Dunne, WWI - Brian Eves, WWII - Veteran Ted Procher, Korean War - Cynthia Goodison, Hong Kong - Brenda Boomhouer, Canadian Forces Joe Driscoll, OPP Aux. Const. Jeff Bunn, Fire Department- Dwayne Meharrie, Deceased members - Richard Young, Memorial - Sean Cook, Lions Club - Ray Howllett, Community Care - Marlene Watson, Wilberforce Elementary School Mikaela Kauffeldt and Melinda Meharrie accompanied by Ed Otto.

Before the colours were marched off Coghlan gave a very touching reading written by an 11 year old Dutch girl which ended thus: "One minute a year is all they ask, one minute for blood and gore. Just stop and thank the Lord you're here because they died in war."

Following the service many joined Legion and LA members at the Wilberforce branch for a fine hot meal prepared by the LA. Appreciation for it was expressed. Veteran and longtime Legion member veteran Len Crawford thanked Coghlan for her efforts in organizing the service.

Ladies auxiliary president Brenda Boomhouer presented a donation to the poppy fund and a very generous donation to branch 624 of the Royal Canadian Legion for its work. May we all support and thank the Legion people for their efforts.



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, December 9, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-042/13
Applicant: Timothy & Sherri SAVILLE
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 24 & 25, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Harcourt
Nature of the Application: New Lot
2. File No. H-052/13
Applicant: Frederick SMITH
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 20, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
3. File No. H-053/13
Applicant: Rose BARRY
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 4, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: New Lot & Right-of-way
4. File No. H-055/13
Applicant: William TIMMS & Elva Jane MATTHEWS
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 3, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 19th day of November, 2013

Michele Moore
Deputy Secretary-Treasurer
Haliburton County Land Division Committee
11 Newcastle Street
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Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD

DATE: November 25th, 2013

TIME: Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al and the Municipality of Highlands East have, by resolution, declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of an original allowance for road located between the geographic Township of Dysart in the Municipality of Dysart et al and the geographic Township of Glamorgan in the Municipality of Highlands East, in the County of Haliburton.

Owner: Thistle

Location: Chicory Drive - Koshlong Lake.

- Part of N½ of Road Allowance Between the Geographic Township of Dysart in the Municipality of Dysart in the Municipality of Dysart et al and the geographic Township of Glamorgan in the Municipality of Highlands East.
- Defined as Part 1 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Coe, Fisher, Cameron O.L.S. dated August 13th, 2013, being available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portion of road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 12th day of November, 2013

Patricia E. Martin, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Director of Planning and Development

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Dan Busby spotted this tundra swan on Head Lake on Sunday, Nov. 3.

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Ladies' Auxiliary - Last Thursday of the

month at 1 p.m.

Fridays:

Meat Draw - Five draws, five prizes each draw. First draw at 4:30 p.m. Last draw at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 per draw, Chester Howse, MC.

Saturdays:

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Sundays:

Breakfast - Second and fourth Sunday of the month - 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$6 per person

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community calendar

Your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca Or email: jennifer.mceathron@sunmedia.ca

Movies in Haliburton and Minden: In partnership with the Minden United Church and the Haliburton United Church we will be hosting a Movie Club once a month in each location; Haliburton(November 28th) and regularly on the 4th Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm. There will be a choice of movies for participants and we will have popcorn and goodies for all. No fee for attending, although a donation is appreciated but not required and would be used to help us defer costs. Call Community Care to register 705 457 2941

Nov 19: Christmas Craft & Bake Sale, located at the Gooderham United Church. From 10a.m.-3p.m. Lunch available

Nov 20: Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group: at Minden Lions Hall. Doors open 6pm. 7pm speaker: Stephanie Bell-Boissonneault talking about her new book "Telling Tales-a History of South Lake". FREE Everyone welcome. For info 705-286-2225

Nov 21: CFUW will have its meeting at Fleming College at 7:00p.m. The guest speaker this month is Marina Lloyd, a story teller, who will base her story on a Christmas theme. Like minded women are welcomed.

November 21: The Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists will host a presentation by biologist and ornithologist Dan Busby on the Peregrine Falcon and its occurrences in our area. This bird's population is recovering now after being devastated by pesticides. The venue is the Haliburton Highlands Museum in Haliburton, doors open at 7:00 pm, presentation begins at 7:30. There is a \$5.00 charge to non-members.

Nov 22: Poinsettia Luncheon and Christmas Sale from 11:30am - 1:30pm. St Paul's Anglican Church, 19 Invergordon Ave, Minden. Luncheon by Donation. More Information contact Illa Kellett at 705-286-3905

Nov 23: Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library "Friendly Christmas Sale" located at the Minden Hills Branch Nov 23 10a.m. - 3p.m. Dec 7 from 10a.m. - 3p.m. At the Dysart Branch. Featuring amazing books and baskets

Nov 23: Highlands Trio at Minden Legion, from 1p.m. - 5p.m. Open to public, no cover charge. Come early,space is limited.

Nov 29: Christmas Luncheon at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden, 11am to 1pm, 50/50 tickets, bake sale, bucket draw. Admission \$5 (snow date Nov. 30)

Nov 30: St. James Anglican Church, Kinmount - Kid's Christmas Sale - Nothing over \$1 and we wrap for you! Bring your kids and grandkids to do their shopping 9:30 a.m. - noon

December 1: Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop - Christmas Open House 12.00 noon to 3PM. Free pictures with Santa, bring the kids!; Christmas Bake Sale; Refreshments, new gift merchandise, NO TAX; Mike Jaycock of Canoe FM will be on hand selling CanoeFM local artists Christmas Memories CD.



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Thank you to Dwaine of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for all your help and guidance at a difficult time.

Thank you ladies for the delicious lunch served after the service at the Gooderham Pentecostal Church.

Thank you to Dr. Robert Heyes for the many years of excellent care that you gave our mother.

Thank you to Community Care (drivers were great) and Access Centre.

~Grant and June, Ed and Karen, and families

Obituaries

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COOPER, Sephrona Bernice - Passed away peacefully at Lakeview Manor, Beaverton on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 with her family at her side and just after her 100th birthday. Dear mother of Orval and Brenda Cooper of Beaverton, Yvonne Gazell of British Columbia, Lola Tocher of California, and Bill Cooper of Maple Lake. Loving grandma of 10 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren. Dear sister of Phyllis Jones, Mary Bain, and predeceased by her brothers and sisters. Fondly remembered by nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Friday, November 15, 2013 from 11:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the family centre at the Funeral Home. Interment at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Maple Lake. Memorial Donations to the St. Peter's Anglican Church or to the Maple Lake United Church would be appreciated by the family.

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Simmons

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A word that brings to mind
A big warm smile, a helping hand
A way of being kind.
You gave us many things in life
Gifts both great and small
But most of all you gave us love
The greatest gift of all.
We lost a father with a heart of gold
How much we miss him can never be told
He shared our troubles and helped us along
We will follow his footsteps and never go wrong.

Forever missed and loved by Alanah, Logan and Adyson.

In Memoriams

In Memoriams



James Simmons
1976-2012, November 23

May the winds of love blow softly and to whisper for you to hear that we'll always love and miss you and wish that you were here with all of our love.

Mom, sister Dona-Lee (Reg),
brother Mike (Sherri),
nieces Brittany, Helena &
nephew Trey

Schell
Helen (November 7, 2000)
Grenville (October 25, 2011)

Time takes away the edge of grief
But memory turns back every

Love always
Dianne, Delinda, Debbie
and Families

In Memoriams

In Memoriams

Simmons

In loving memory of my husband, soul mate and best friend, James Simmons, who passed away too soon, one year ago on November 23, 2012.

It is sad to walk the road alone
Instead of side by side,
But to all there comes a moment
When the ways of life divide.
You gave me years of happiness
Then came sorrow and tears
But you left me beautiful memories
I will treasure through the years.
The moment that you died
My heart was torn in two
One side filled with heartache
The other died with you.
I often lie awake at night,
When the world is fast asleep,
And take a walk down memory lane,
With tears upon my cheeks.
Remembering you is easy,
I do it everyday,
But missing you is a heartache
That never goes away.

Lovingly remembered and very sadly missed by Lisa

"I love you more"

In Memory of Robert E. Barry
November 17, 2011

The rolling stream of life rolls on,
But still the vacant chair
Recalls the love, the voice, the smile
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PUZZLE NO. 425

			6		2			
		1	3	4				
		4						7
			7			6	5	3
			2		4			1
		6						8
1	2		8	3		9		
8					1			
	3	5		2				

ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 425

9	8	1	7	2	6	5	3	4
2	7	3	1	9	4	6	8	5
5	4	6	9	3	8	7	2	1
8	2	4	6	5	9	1	7	3
1	6	7	4	9	2	3	8	5
3	9	8	1	7	2	4	6	5
7	3	2	6	8	1	4	9	5
6	9	8	5	4	3	1	7	2
4	5	1	4	2	7	2	6	8

HOW TO PLAY:

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.

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PUZZLE NO. 689

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12				13					14			
15				16					17			
18				19					20			
			21				22					
23	24	25				26			27	28	29	
30					31				32			
33				34					35			
			36	37				38				
39	40					41			42	43	44	
45					46				47			
48					49				50			
51					52				53			

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ACROSS

1. Bath locale
4. Con game
8. Battle memento
12. Hole in ____
13. Hawaiian dance
14. Barber's sign
15. Bakery item
16. Deserted
18. Caresses
20. Romantic gift
21. Unite in matrimony
22. "____ and the Fatman"
23. Additional
26. Sing with closed lips

27. ____ on your life!
30. Thoroughfare
31. Carriage
32. Play the leading role
33. Wiggly fish
34. Trim
35. Very unpleasant
36. ____ bad to worse
38. Large cup
39. Fall bloomer
41. Desert traveling group
45. Showers
47. Excitement
48. Street entertainer

49. At leisure
50. Spy
51. Large number
52. Property title
53. Hazardous curve

DOWN

1. Coverings
2. Branch
3. Milwaukee brew
4. Salt or pepper ____
5. Diced
6. Woeful sigh
7. Guy
8. Scare

ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 689

S	S	E		D	E	E		M	E	L	S	
E	E		E	L	E							
A	D	O		S	P	O	R					
N	A	V	A		C	A	R	A				
A	S	V	N		I	N	C					
R	A	V	S		I	G	H					
E												
S	T	R	O	S		S	K	E	S			
P	I	E	A	B	A	N	D	O	N	E		
T	U	B										

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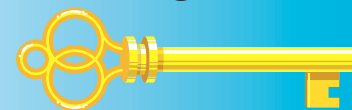
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